

Information Memorandum Transmittal

Office of Child Welfare Programs

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| Welfare Programs | <u>Number</u> : CW-IM-14-008 | | | |
| Authorized signature | <u>Issue date</u> : 5/22/14 | | | |
| Topic: Foster Care | | | | |
| Subject: Voluntary Placement Agreements and Voluntary Custody Agreements | | | | |
| Applies to (check all that apply): | | | | |
| All DHS employees | County Mental Health Directors | | | |
| Area Agencies on Aging | Health Services | | | |
| Aging and People with Disabilities | Office of Developmental | | | |
| Children, Adults and Families | Disabilities Services (ODDS) | | | |
| County DD Program Managers | Other (please specify): Child Welfare | | | |
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Message:

The recent state IV-E audit brought to our attention discrepancy in practices around the state related to the valid effective date of a voluntary placement agreement or voluntary custody agreement.

The effective date of either of these types of agreement is the latter of any dates that all relevant parties signed the agreement. The forms have been revised to identify that effective date as the last date of any individual signing the agreement.

The Voluntary Placement Agreement is CF 0499.

The Voluntary Custody Agreement is CF1005.

The revised forms are available via the DHS Forms Directory on our Internet website.

Please note that the department needs to obtain all required signatures before the agreement is effective.

Please discard any of the previous unused versions of these forms you may have and begin using the updated version immediately.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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